

25X1

25X1A

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

25X1

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Military Information from Camp Warden-Markendorf

94

EVALUATION 25X1

PLACE OBTAINED

25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT 5 to 28 October 1951

DATE OBTAINED

DATE PREPARED 29 November 1951

25X1A

REFERENCES

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

25X1

25X1

25X1

1. On 5 October 1951, several march columns totaling 23 officers and about 700 EM, with a military band and a flag bearing No 76 or 78 were observed in Camp Warden-Markendorf, east of Jüterbog. * The troops started departing from the camp on 22 October. [redacted] the units would attend a field exercise before returning to their winter quarters. Sizable troop units bivouacked in the woods near Markendorf from 22 to 24 October. The troop camp was vacated by 24 October, with only guard detail remaining in each camp section. The procedure of maintaining Soviet details at the camp differed from that of 1950 when the temporary barracks were returned to German employees.

[redacted] started entraining on the Forst Zinna railroad station at 3 p.m. on 24 October. A train observed in Jüterbog on 25 October carried 14 trucks [redacted] 10 armored personnel carriers and 8 artillery pieces of 80-mm to 100-mm. It proceeded toward Wittenberg at 7:50 p.m.. [redacted] two trains with 25 tanks each passed through Jüterbog during the night of 25 October and proceeded toward Wittenberg.

2. Troop columns which moved through Neuhoef, 7 km northeast of Jüterbog, during the nights between 23 and 28 October totaled about 100 T-34 tanks and numerous trucks loaded with troops, ammunition boxes and billeting equipment. The columns came from the direction of Camp Warden-Markendorf and proceeded to the Forst Zinna railroad station. **
3. The Markendorf pumping station, 6 km east of Jüterbog, was not occupied by military personnel on 20 October. The southwestern section of Camp Markendorf (a camp for resettlers), east of the pumping station, was occupied by resettlers, while the northeastern section was uninhabited and partly dilapidated. On 15 October, [redacted] the former Adolf Hitler Camp at Zinna, 3 km north of Kloster Zinna, housed the Deutsche Verwaltungsakademie Walter Ulbricht (Walter Ulbricht administrative academy). ***

CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL

25X1

Document No. 005

No Change in Class. ☐

☐ Declassified

Class. Changed To: TS S C

Auth: HR 70-2

Date: AUG 29

CONFIDENTIAL [REDACTED]

25X1

[REDACTED]
25X1A

25X1A * [REDACTED] Comment. Probably the 75th Gds Hvy Tank SF Regt which thus is fairly definitely confirmed until 5 October 1951.

25X1A ** [REDACTED] Comment. The departure of the 6th Gds Tank Div is known from several previous reports. Seven trains with troops of this division went from Forst Minna to Littenberg between 25 and 26 October. [REDACTED]
25X1 The information [REDACTED] in the present report states for the first time that Camp Lorder-Markendorf was vacated.

25X1A

25X1A *** [REDACTED] The installations are known from previous reports. They might have quartered troops because of their close location to Camp Lorder-Markendorf.

CONFIDENTIAL [REDACTED]